

## Early Learning Programs & Workforce Committee (High Quality Programs and Professionals) Meeting Agenda

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The mission of the DECC is to promote the development of a comprehensive and coordinated early childhood system, birth to eight, which provides the highest quality services and environment for Delaware's children and their families.

10:00	Call to order
10:05	Review of minutes from June meeting
10:10	Professional Development Discussion
	<ul> <li>High School Pathways Preparation Programs</li> <li>Higher Ed Programs</li> <li>Ongoing Professional Development</li> </ul>
10:30	Review priorities and make next step recommendations
10:50	Review invites (specific people and/or agencies) for future meetings
11:15	Set future meeting schedule
11:30	Comments, open discussions, issues, challenges
12:00	Meeting adjourned

## **Key Responsibilities**

- Identify strategic priorities, based on the overall Delaware Early Childhood Council Strategic Plan, to raise the quality and retention of early learning programs and practitioners for young children and families.
- Recommend strategies for new program development or continuous improvement of existing programs and services.
- Review and recommend periodic program evaluations.
- Identify opportunities for cross-system collaboration and coordination to improve services, leverage funds, or create new funding sources for early learning initiatives.
- Advise and monitor implementation of the state's Strategic Plan for Professional Development and bring updates and issues forward to the full Council.